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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following paragraph:

[0018] In an embodiment of the present invention, a method on a computer for providing critical chain-based project management across a plurality of projects is disclosed. The method includes generating a plurality of project plans_having a critical chain, each of the plurality of project plans corresponding to one of the plurality of projects, wherein a project comprises at least one task. The method further includes generating buffers for each of the plurality of projects, wherein at least one of the buffers generated is placed on the critical chain, and reconciling project resources among the plurality of projects so as to accommodate the critical chain. The method further includes executing the plurality of project plans, including continuously providing status information about the buffers to a user and allowing a the user to manage the buffers across the plurality of projects. The user is further provided with information associated with buffers for the plurality of projects, so as to evaluate the status of the plurality of projects. Additionally, the user is provided with task prioritization for any task of the plurality of projects, wherein task prioritization is calculated across the plurality of projects.

Please replace paragraph [0019] with the following paragraph:

[0019] In another embodiment of the present invention, a network interface is available to the user for allowing the user to manage the buffers across the plurality of projects based on the status information about the buffers, providing the user with information associated with buffers for the plurality of projects and providing the user with task prioritization for any task of the plurality of projects. The network interface can be a Web or Internet interface.

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Please replace paragraph [0020] with the following paragraph:

[0020] In yet another embodiment of the present invention, a server computer system for providing critical chain-based project management across a plurality of projects is disclosed. The server computer system includes a memory storage device including computers instructions for client module for generating a plurality of project plans having a critical chain, each of the plurality of project plans corresponding to one of the plurality of projects, wherein a project comprises at least one task. The computer instructions further include instructions for system further includes a buffer module for generating buffers for each of the plurality of projects, wherein at least one of the buffers generated is placed on the critical chain, and a reconciliation module for reconciling project resources among the plurality of projects so as to accommodate the critical chain. The computer instructions further include instructions for system further includes an execution module for executing the plurality of project plans, including continuously providing status information about the buffers to a user comprising and providing an interface for allowing a the user to manage the buffers across the plurality of projects based on the status information about the buffers. The interface further provides to the user information associated with buffers for the plurality of projects, so as to evaluate the status of the plurality of projects, and task prioritization for any task of the plurality of projects, wherein task prioritization is calculated across the plurality of projects. The interface is provided over a network, such as a WAN.

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following paragraph:

[0021] In yet another embodiment of the present invention, a <u>computer</u> readable medium memory storage device for providing critical chain-based project management across a plurality of projects is disclosed. The <u>computer</u> readable medium memory storage device includes instructions for generating a

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plurality of project plans having a critical chain, each of the plurality of project plans corresponding to one of the plurality of projects, wherein a project comprises at least one task. The computer readable medium memory storage device further includes instructions for generating buffers for each of the plurality of projects, wherein at least one of the buffers generated is placed on the critical chain, and reconciling project resources among the plurality of projects, wherein at least one of the buffers generated is placed on the critical chain. The computer readable medium memory storage device further includes instructions for executing the plurality of project plans, including centinuously providing status information about the buffers to a user and providing an interface to the user for allowing the a user to manage the buffers across the plurality of projects based on the status information about the buffers. The computer readable medium further includes instructions for continuously modifying task prioritization for any task of the plurality of projects based on the status information about the buffers, wherein task prioritization is calculated across the plurality of projects executing the plurality of project plans, including allowing a user to manage the buffers across the plurality of projects. The user is further provided with information associated with buffers for the plurality of projects, so as to evaluate the status of the plurality of projects. Additionally, the user is provided with task prioritization for any task of the plurality of projects, wherein task prioritization is calculated across the plurality of projects.